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**Communication Link Protocol Optimized for Storage Architecture**

which (check) ☐ is attached hereto.  
☐ and is amended by the Preliminary Amendment attached hereto.  
☒ was filed on December 29, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/751,649  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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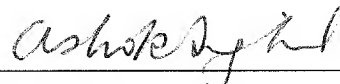
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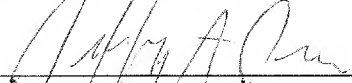
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